PROCEEDINGS
of
THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY.

FIRST ASSEMBLY.

SEVENTH SESSION.

Thursday, the 9th July 1936/26th Mithunam 1111.

The Assembly met again in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall, at Eleven of the clock with the President in the Chair.

NEW MEMBER SWORN IN.

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott took the oath and signed the Rolls.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Dilapidated Vernacular School Buildings.

383 ✻ **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of dilapidated Vernacular School buildings regarding which the Director of Public Instruction has submitted proposals to Government for improvement or reconstruction ;

(*b*) the proposals made by the Director regarding this problem ; and

(*c*) the action taken by the Government?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*):

(*a*) 31.

(*b*) As nearly 300 school buildings were badly in need of renovation or extension, the Director proposed a five-year plan and requested that an annual allotment of one lakh of rupees be provided for the purpose in the Education Budget for a period of five years from 1111.

(*c*) It was ordered that a list of works arranged in the order of urgency and importance should be prepared and sent to the Chief Engineer for being included in his budget for 1111 M. E. and that funds to the extent available would be provided in the budget.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*) : With reference to the answer to part (*c*), may I know from the Government whether the list of works has been prepared and sent to the Chief Engineer in time for the next budget?

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MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) The answer refers to 1111.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether the list was sent to the Chief Engineer before 1111?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether any action was taken on that list?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether any provision was made for 1111?

MR. C. V CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Not for all the schools which were sent up. Out of the 17 schools which were sent up, provision was made in the budget for 5 schools.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know the number of schools provided for in 1111?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I have answered that, Sir.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know whether the allotment sanctioned by this House for Vernacular Education was diverted during 1111?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Provision for school buildings is made in the P. W. D. Budget.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know why the Director recommended for the provision of only 17 schools while as many as 300 school buildings were in a dilapidated condition?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): It is in answer to part (*b*). The original list was for 31 schools and it was reduced to 17.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): The Director says that as nearly as 300 school buildings were badly in need of renovation or extension. What I am asking is, when the Director admits that 31 school buildings were in a dilapidated condition, why he included only 17 schools in the list

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): 31 schools were included in the original list. Owing to want of funds, the list was further reduced.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know how many schools were repaired in 1111?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Provision was made for 5 schools.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know whether all those schools were repaired?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I have not yet received the report.

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MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know whether anything else has been done with regard to the remaining schools?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Every year the Education Department sends up a list of schools in the order of priority for the kind attention of the P. W. Department.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): May I know how many schools are included in the next year's budget?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I claim notice.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): May I know whether this annual provision is sufficient to meet the whole requirements?

MR. C. V CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): No, Sir.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether the 31 schools referred to include the schools which are housed in temporary and rented buildings?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, Sir; I think they do.

Landing charges collected by Shipping Agents.

384. ❋ MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state what the rates of landing charges collected by the Shipping Companies' Agents of Travancore Ports, *viz.*, Alleppey and Trivandrum, are?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The schedule showing the rates of landing charges collected by the shipping agents at the ports of Trivandrum and Alleppey are available at the Assembly Secretary's office and may be perused. They are too voluminous to be printed along with the reply.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether there is any difference between the rates at the Ports of Alleppey and Trivandrum?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes, there is some difference.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know the difference?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The difference cannot be detailed now. It is a long list.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know the difference in the landing charge with regard to paddy and rice in the Trivandrum and Alleppey Ports?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): That is contained in the list.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether Government has received any complaint about the absence of uniformity in the rates?

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